

HOUSE BILL 3719
By Winningham

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63,
Chapter 24, relative to athletic trainers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 24, is amended by adding a new section thereto, as follows:

Section 63-24-111.

The board is empowered to deny or to refuse to renew a license, or suspend or revoke a license, or issue orders to cease and desist from certain conduct or to otherwise lawfully discipline an applicant, a licensee, or a person found guilty of violating any provisions of this chapter when such person has:

- (1) Practiced athletic training for compensation without holding an active license under this chapter;
- (2) Used or attempted to use an athletic trainer license that has been suspended or revoked;
- (3) Knowingly employed, contracted for or otherwise utilized unlicensed persons in the practice of athletic training with or without compensation unless such employer is a physician licensed under this title;
- (4) Obtained or attempted to obtain an athletic trainer license by misleading statements or knowing misrepresentation; or
- (5) Used the title "athletic trainer" without being licensed under this chapter.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-24-110, is amended by adding a new subsection as follows:

(c) Nothing in this chapter shall be construed as applying to physicians duly licensed under this chapter who employ or contract for services provided by persons in the physician's office assisting in the care of patients and rendered under the supervision, control and responsibility of the licensed physician.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it.